IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDIATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO.8462 OF 2004

Shivappa G. Kamble & Ors. .. Petitioners.
Vs.
The State of Maharashtra & Ors. .. Respondents.

Mr.S.M.Sabrad for the petitioners.
Mr.D.A.Patil AGP for the respondent-State.

CORAM : D.B.BHOSALE, J.

DATED : 2ND NOVEMBER, 2004

P.C.:

. Heard Mr.Sabrad, learned counsel for the petitioners and Mr.Patil, learned A.G.P. for the respondent-State.

2. The learned counsel appearing for the parties have agreed for disposal of the writ petition on following terms:

(i) The concerned authority to decide the application pending for adjudicating the claim under solatium scheme 1989 as expeditiously as possible and preferrably within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt this order. Needless to state that the petitioner’s application be decided on merits in accordance with law.

(ii) This petition is filed by 18 petitioners. Mr.Sabrad, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that there are several such persons who have filed similar applications and there applications are also pending for adjudication for more than a year. He submitted that the concerned authority is obliged to decide the application within 45 days as per solatium scheme. Mr.Sabrad submits that these litigants are rustic villagers and may not be able to approach this court seeking similar relief. Mr.Patil, learned A.G.P. has not controverted the submissions of Mr.Sabrad. Considering the submissions of learned counsel for the parties I deem it proper to give directions to the concerned authorities to dispose of the applications pending for adjudicating the claim under solatium scheme 1989 as expeditiously as possible and preferrably within six weeks from the date of communication of this order. The office of the Government Pleader in the High Court to communicate this order to the concerned authorities expeditiously.

. The writ petition is diposed of.

(D.B.Bhosale, J.)